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LEE HARVEY OSWALD

On March 12, 1964, Doctor Karl Dockery, a Radiology Resident at Parkland Memorial Hospital, Dallas, Texas, telephone number ME 1-5050, Extension 201, was interviewed by a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation concerning his observations regarding the autopsy performed on the body of Lee Harvey Oswald. Doctor Dockery advised that he resides at 3307 Baker, Dallas, Texas, and his residence telephone number is ME 1-3569.

Doctor Dockery advised that he was present during the time surgery was performed on Lee Harvey Oswald on the second floor at Parkland Memorial Hospital on November 24, 1963, for about one hour prior to the death of Oswald. He stated he took about nine rolls of 35 mm. black and white and color film showing the surgical procedures. This film was turned over to Mr. C. J. Price, Administrator of Parkland Memorial Hospital, and it has not been developed.

Doctor Dockery advised that the film was the property of the hospital and would have to be produced by subpoena duces tecum addressed to Mr. Price and/or Mr. Ed Maher, Chairman of the Board of Managers of the Dallas County Hospital District. He stated the film was not identified prior to being turned over to Mr. Price and he would not be aware of the exact number of black and white film or color film or what number of exposures were made by Doctor Dockery of the surgical procedures.

Doctor Dockery stated he was unable to recall observing any scars on the inner wrists of Lee Harvey Oswald, but it was possible some of the photographs might show the inner wrist area of the patient.

On March 12, 1964, Mr. C. J. Price, Administrator, Parkland Memorial Hospital, telephone number ME 1-5050, Dallas, Texas, advised he had checked the hospital records and determined that the film the hospital impounded which was exposed by Doctor Dockery on November 24, 1963, of patient Lee Harvey Oswald, was described as follows in the hospital records: "There are three packages. One contains five rolls of 35 mm. film. Another

"contains three rolls of 35 mm. film and another contains one roll of 35 mm. film." He said no identifying marks were put on the film and he is not aware of the number of exposures that were made.

Mr. Price stated the hospital did not want to make a public record of this film; however, he said they would be pleased to turn it over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for any use it might serve in a current investigation concerning Lee Harvey Oswald. He said he would produce the film upon receipt of a subpoena duces tecum addressed to him and/or Mr. Ed Maher, Chairman of the Board of Managers of the Dallas County Hospital District, Dallas, Texas. He stated that in the event it was turned over to the Federal Bureau of Investigation, it was requested that it not be released for promiscuous publication because he did not want anything to occur which would detract from the dignity of the operation of Parkland Memorial Hospital.